COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

THE APPLICATION OF JOHNSON)
COUNTY GAS COMPANY, INC.,)
TO INCREASE ITS RETAIL GAS)
RATES)

ORDER

On October 29, 1981, the Commission issued its Order in Case No. 8235 approving certain adjustments in rates and providing under certain conditions for the further adjustment of such rates when the wholesale cost of gas is increased or decreased.

On March 10, 1983, Johnson County Gas Company, Inc., ("Johnson") notified the Commission that its wholesale cost of gas would be increased by its supplier Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc., effective March 1, 1983, and submitted with its notice certain information in compliance with its purchased gas adjustment clause on file with this Commission.

After reviewing the record filed in this case and being advised the Commission is of the opinion and finds that:

(1) Johnson's notice of March 10, 1983, set out certain revisions in rates which Johnson proposed to place into effect, said rates being designed to pass on the wholesale increase in price from its supplier in the amount of \$15,299 or 22.8 cents per Mcf.

- (2) Johnson's notice of March 10, 1983, does not provide the Commission with the 20-day notice as required by statute. Therefore, the proposed rates should become effective on March 31, 1983. These rates should be subject to refund because Johnson's supplier's rates have been approved subject to refund by the Public Service Commission.
- (3) Johnson's adjustment in rates under the purchased gas adjustment provisions approved by the Commission in its Order in Case No. 8235 dated October 29, 1981, is fair, just and reasonable and in the public interest and should be effective with gas supplied on and after March 31, 1983, subject to refund.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the rates in Appendix A be and they herey are approved to be effective for gas supplied on and after March 31, 1983, subject to refund.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that for the purpose of the future application of the purchased gas adjustment clause the base rate for purchased gas shall be:

Commodity

Kentucky West Virginia Gas Company \$6.016 per Mcf
Columbia Gas of Kentucky 4.2259 per Mcf

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that within 30 days after the date of this Order, Johnson shall file with this Commission its revised tariffs setting out the rates authorized herein.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 29th day of March, 1983.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Chairman

Katherine fandell Vice Chairman

Commissioner Commissioner

ATTEST:

Secretary

APPENDIX A

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 8235-0 March 29, 1983.

The following rates are prescribed for the customers in the area served by Johnson County Gas Company, Inc. All other rates and charges not specifically mentioned herein shall remain the same as those in effect under authority of the Commission prior to the date of this Order.

RATES:

Customer Charge

\$3.00

All Mcf

\$9.1633 per Mcf

Minimum charge is the customer charge.